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THE WOMAN'S STORE
FAIRMONT, W. VA.

GOODEVENING!

Make a good start to-morrow morning on your final Christmas shopping.

Oriental Rug Exhibit

and CHRISTMAS SALE for TWO DAYS ONLY

As an attraction to our store and for the accommodation of our customers, we have brought Mr. Asha, an importer of Oriental Rugs, to display his collection in our store.

YOUR INSPECTION IS INVITED.

We have given Mr. Asha this privilege at this busy season only upon his promise to make a Special Reduction in Price to Our Patrons. Make home more cheerful with a fine new Rug while you have the opportunity of special consequence.

This is an opportunity to select a Gift that will be pleasing, lasting and beautiful.

THESE ORIENTAL RUGS

Are durable, the patterns are unusually handsome, colors are absolutely fast. See them displayed in our store and window. Special Prices at \$10, \$16.50, \$21, \$25 and up.

Women's Gloves

\$1.50 Quality, Special at \$1.25.

Just received, a shipment of Women's Gloves that are the same quality as our regular \$1.50 Gloves. We are selling them at \$1.25. A neat Christmas Box furnished.

Women's Mesh Bags

A large showing of these popular Gift articles in the Jewelry Dept. German Silver Mesh, all soldered links.

\$2.39 \$3.50 \$3.98

Navajo Art Craft Blankets

Fast Colors, yarn-dyed Indian Blankets. Useful in many ways—for the Couch, for Bed Blankets, Auto and Steamer Robes.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS TO WOMEN

SELECTING MEN'S GIFTS

Smoking Sets, Collar Bags, Traveling Bags, Umbrellas, Toilet Sets, Ash Trays, House Coats, Bath Robes, Neckwear, Pajamas, Handkerchiefs and Gloves

For the Baby

Knitted Suits, Furs, Laundry Bags, Soap Boxes, Hot Water Bags, Rattles, Powder Puffs, Garment Hangers, Dresses, Wraps, Stockings, Boot-ties, Hair Brushes, Powder Boxes, etc.

FOR WOMEN AND THE HOME

REMINISCENT CHAT AND CHATTER

LEGEND OF THE MISTLETOE: UNKISSING ON CHRISTMAS, MAID FACES YEAR UNWED

Yuletide and the mistletoe are usually thought of together. The most sacred festival of the Druids was Yuletide, now our most widely celebrated Christmas feast, and the mistletoe, called all-heal by these ancient pagans, almost means the same thing to us—but in a mental, not a physical sense.

As an emblem of Christmastide, joy and happiness, it easily holds first place.

Its parasitical beauty is praised in song and story.

Honored by the Druids as a divine plant, which they termed plen-awyr, or celestial tree of the firmament, it was distributed at certain seasons as a precious gift.

It grew in the depths of the dark forests of oak, in which the Druids celebrated their mystical and often cruel

religious rites.

The Romans held it sacred to the story, or love legend of Proserpine, for Aeneas was obliged to pluck a branch of it to carry to Proserpine before he could visit the realms below.

According to the story of Freya, the Goddess of Love, it must, to hold its potency, be gathered at the new moon.

Today even in support of this theory the mistletoe is held to possess potency and charms of unearthly power by the peasants of Holstein and other countries, for they call it the "branch of specters," from the supposition it has a magic power over ghosts and can render spirits visible and obedient to human beings.

In England, but a century ago, its position as an emblem of sacred import was revered in York and other countries.

On the eve of Christmas mistletoe carried in solemn procession to the high altar of York Cathedral, where

it was blessed and proclaimed toward the four quarters of heaven as a symbol of public and universal liberty, pardon and freedom to all sorts of "inferior and even wicked people."

Its hallowed sacredness as a love charm of undoubted blessing is its greatest bid for popularity as a Christmas green of peculiar fitness, for the maid not kissed at Christmas will not be married during the year."

A berry must be plucked for each kiss obtained under its charming branches else the potency is destroyed.

All 1913 believers in this mistletoe potency should, therefore, remember to pluck the berry, one for each kiss. It is well to have the bough given much attention in this fashion.

If its deity be at all neglected, and if berries remain until Twelfth Night, beware, says an old English writer, for holly, bay and ivy are hung at Christmas time to give shelter to all elves, fairies, and fays.

These woodland spirits, who are supposed to be half frozen at this season of the year, may take refuge at Christmas among the Christmas greens.

But at Twelfth Night they are obliged to be gone. All greens are then removed from our homes, or should be, but the mistletoe is sometimes held. If so, a goblin or an elf will surely take shelter there and bring ill-luck and misfortune to your house, for his powers of evil and mischief are restored to him on Twelfth Night.

It is found growing all over the British Isles, but in this country is found at its best and in greatest quantity in the South. Flinging its thick nest-like green branches from the tops of giant bare-limbed trees, it stands out clearly in the gray light of December days with a sort of weird, uncanny attractiveness.

Watts apostrophizes it as follows: "Hail, hail to its leaves of rich green With pearls that are fit for a Queen. So pure and so white; Such emblems of innocent mirth. We'll value as blessings on earth. In this season of joy, Giving birth to social delight."

"May, we, like the mistletoe shed A halo of joy on each head, Wherever we go; In seasons of mirth may we reign, All joyous to never give pain, Our songs shall not then be in vain To the famed mistletoe."

Ex-Gov. A. B. White Quits Banking Job

EX-GOVERNOR... PARKERSBURG, Dec. 22.—An important change in local banking circles will take place some time in January, the final action in regard to the same taking place at the last meeting of the board of directors of the Parkersburg Banking and Trust Company.

Former Governor Albert B. White, some days ago tendered his resignation as cashier, in charge of the active work of the bank in order that he might give more of his time to the direction of the business affairs of the Parkersburg Ice and Coal Company and other companies in which he is largely interested. This action does not mean that Mr. White severs his connection with the Parkersburg Banking and Trust Company, for he will continue as president and director and give the affairs of the bank considerable of his personal attention.

Walter E. Stout was elected cashier to succeed Mr. White, to enter upon his duties some time in January, and has accepted the position.

British Steamship Is Sunk by Mine

LONDON, Dec. 22.—The admiralty announced today that the British steamer, Tritonia, of the Donaldson line, bound from Partington to St. John, N. B., struck a mine off of the north coast of Ireland yesterday and is believed to have foundered. The crew was landed safely.

25 New Regiments Proposed for Army

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—An increase of twenty-five regiments in the regular army was proposed today in a bill by Representative Anthony of the House Committee on Military Affairs.

Five additional regiments of artillery, five of cavalry and fifteen of infantry would be provided and the present law limiting the army to 100,000 men would be repealed.

Appropriations of \$400,000 for aviation and \$50,000 for armoured automobiles, in view of the use of the latter in the European war, are included in the bill.

The bill follows the War Department's estimates closely.



CLARA MATHER,
With Aubrey Players at Grand Tonight.

ment's estimates closely. "We gave them practically all they asked for," said Chairman Hay, referring to appropriations for ammunition and other materials for defense.

Representative Gardner arranged today for a hearing before the committee next week on the question of preparedness.

HEAD STUFFED FROM CATARRH OR A COLD

Says Cream Applied in Nostrils
Opens Air Passages Right Up

Instant relief—no waiting. Your clogged nostrils open right up; the air passages of your head clear and you can breathe freely. No more hawking, snuffling, blowing, headache, dryness. No struggling for breath at night; your cold or catarrh disappears.

Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist now. Apply a little of this fragrant, antiseptic, healing cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every passage of the head, soothes the inflamed or swollen mucous membrane and relief comes instantly.

It's just fine. Don't stay stuffed up with a cold or nasty catarrh.

Midnight Curfew For Card Fiends

MUNCIE, Ind., Dec. 22.—Because of the complaint by wives and mothers of the community that husbands and sons were being kept out too late at night by the fascination of playing rum and other card games in cigar stores, the police have issued orders that all cigar stores close their doors at midnight. The owners of these places have complied willingly, most of them saying that they welcome the opportunity to get away from their places of business at a reasonable

hour instead of having to spend the night entertaining "card fiends."

In Coffin and Grave He Dug, Tries Suicide

MUSCOGEE, Okla., Dec. 22.—After digging his own grave, placing inside it a wooden coffin, which he had made himself, Dick Southerlin, an old man living near Rex, Okla., crawled into the coffin and tried to take his life by cutting the arteries of his wrists and hacking at his throat with the knife. Workmen passing saw him and rescued him. Southerlin will recover.

Wife Poisons Self As Hubby Did; Dies

WHEELING, W. Va., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Lucy Garrison, aged 40, of Fulton, a suburban town, was found dead this morning in her room in the Grand Central hotel with an empty bottle of poison beside her bed. She had swallowed the contents. It was the second anniversary of the death of her husband in Tiffin, O. The husband swallowed poison, and brooding over the approach of the anniversary is believed to have caused Mrs. Garrison to end her life.

"BLOOD WILL TELL"

The Heroes of the War.
"Blood will tell," is an axiom that in all the ages has never been gainsaid. Every man who does a brave, heroic act carries within his veins a quality of blood that urges and sustains him. No matter whether he inherits it from a long line of famous ancestors or from the sound and healthy constitution of his immediate parents, where only distinction is honorable (all and a simple, virtuous life. It matters little where or how you obtain it, but it matters all the world that by some means you possess good blood. Good blood is first, last and always the making of manly men and womanly women. It is the source of all courage, virtue and happiness.

A new man can be made out of one that's "used-up," bilious and dyspeptic. It's done by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It starts the torpid liver into healthful action, purifies and enriches the blood, cleanses, repairs and strengthens the system and restores health and vigor. As an appetizing, restorative tonic, it sets at work all the processes of digestion and nutrition, and builds up flesh and strength. It's the only Blood and Liver Remedy that's guaranteed, in every case, to benefit or cure. If it doesn't do all that's claimed for it, the money is promptly refunded. But it keeps its promises—that's the reason it can be sold in this way.

It is not a secret remedy, for its ingredients are printed on the wrapper.

You only pay for the good you get. "Discovery" strengthens Weak Lungs, relieves Shortness of Breath, Bronchitis, Severe Coughs and kindred affections.

Free. Dr. Pierce's Common Sense Medical Adviser, bound in cloth, is sent free on receipt of 81 one-cent stamps to pay expense of wrapping and mailing only. Address: Doctor Pierce, Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.



W. DE WIETH,
Aubrey Player at Grand Tonight.

'The Busy Store' United Shoe Stores Co. 219 Madison St.

Gift Slippers For Your Family and Friends

Santa would disappoint thousands if he failed to bring the expected Christmas Slippers. We have pairs enough to more than satisfy everyone—styles enough to more than please all tastes—values to prove the climax of satisfaction.

Free to all Boys and Girls

A box of delicious candy with every purchase made from December 21st to 24th.

Women's Juliettes

Fur and Ribbon trimmed, felt upper, turn leather soles, all colors, also Daniel Green "Comfy" Slippers \$2. values \$1.25



500 Pairs Women's Felt Slippers

Felt Slippers, all colors, fur and ribbon trimmed, flexible leather soles, also bou-doir slippers, all colors, real \$1.25 values 98c



Indian Moccasins

for women, moccasins and children, engraved or beaded front, buckskin or deer skin, dark or light colors. The "Hawa" brand. Misses and children's \$1.20 value, 98c

Women's 2.50 value \$1.95

Children's Felt House Slippers

In red and blue with felt soles 75c value 50

Children's Felt Slippers

Fur Trimmed and leather soles \$1.00 79c.

Indian Moccasins

For Men and Boys, engraved or beaded front, made of fine buckskin

Boys' \$1.25 value 98c

Men's \$2.50 value \$1.95

Little Gents Tan Vici Slippers in Everett Style. A pleasing gift. \$1.25 98c.

Leather soles \$1.00 79c.

value 79c.

Children's Picture Slippers

Just the thing to please the kids. Felt uppers with leather soles \$1.00 79c.

value 79c.

Free Christmas Slippers in Fancy Holly Boxes

Boys' Everett

Style Slipper, just like Dad wears in the popular tan color \$2.00 value 98c

Men's \$2 Opera Slippers

Tan and Black kid lining and hand turned soles \$1.48

Men's \$1.50 Romeo

and Everett Style Slippers in Tan or Black with flexible soles 98c.

Men's Everett Shape

pressed Imitation Alligator slippers, Chocolate, Tan and Black Patent backs 75c. value 49c.

Gifts

Do you want to give something of real value?

Then go to Smith's and get a pair of Shoes with the Queen Quality Stetson or Barry stamp on them, and the party will know they have received a real gift.

If you don't want to invest that much, a nice pair of Silk Hose will be just the thing.

Come to us for your Gifts and make your friends happy.

SMITH'S SHOE STORE The Spot To Buy

THE PALACE JEWELRY STORE

232 Main St.

Fairmont, W. Va.

ELGIN WATCH
20-YEAR CASE \$7.50

FLOWERS - - FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

Our Christmas stock of Potted Plants has arrived and is the most gorgeous sight imaginable. We have been fortunate in growing great numbers of Poinsettia of unusual size and color—the price is within the reach of all. We also have half a car load of Azelias, Begonias, Cyclamen, Narcissus and Ferns, at prices from 50c up.

Cut Flowers for the Holidays will be plentiful and reasonable in price—Roses, Carnations, Lily-of-the-Valley, Narcissus, Violets, Daisies and American Beauties. PHONE YOUR ORDER. WE'LL DOT THE REST. BOTH PHONES.

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